

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Supervisor's Report on Use of Force

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Incident Information												
URN: 9 1 7 - 2 3 6 6 7 - 1 1 2 1 - 0 9 1				Date: 12/09/2017				Time: 2034				
Location:		44539 10th Street West				City or Station:		Lancaster				
Bureau/Station/Facility:		North Patrol Division / Lancaster Station				Admin. Investigation:		<input type="radio"/> YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO				
Type of Force:		Personal Weapons (Push)										
Incident Category: <input type="radio"/> 1 <input type="radio"/> 2 <input checked="" type="radio"/> 3				Deputy Injury: <input type="radio"/> YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO				Suspect Injury: <input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO				
<input type="checkbox"/> Call		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Observation		<input type="checkbox"/> Detail		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Foot Pursuit		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vehicle Pursuit				
IAB Notified: <input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO		Person Notified: Lieutenant Minh Dinh		Emp: [REDACTED]		IAB Roll Out: <input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO						
Involved Employee												
E 1	Employee #	Last Name Tanner			First Name Aaron			Middle I. D.	Rank DSG			
	Sex: <input checked="" type="radio"/> M <input type="radio"/> F	Race: W	Height: 511	Weight: 180	Age: [REDACTED]	Shift: <input type="radio"/> EM <input type="radio"/> Day <input checked="" type="radio"/> PM		<input checked="" type="radio"/> Regular Shift <input type="radio"/> OT Shift <input type="radio"/> Off Duty				
	Unit of Assignment: Lancaster Station				Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.): 113B							
	Individual Force Used: Personal Weapons (Push)				<input type="radio"/> Directed <input type="radio"/> Rescue <input type="radio"/> Medical Assist				Individual Category: <input type="radio"/> 1 <input checked="" type="radio"/> 2 <input type="radio"/> 3			
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On Duty Supervisor												
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Supervisor Completing Investigation												
Emp #	Last Name Chang			First Name Francois			Middle I. H.	Rank Sgt.	Present <input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	Witness to Incident <input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO		
Watch Commander / Supervising Lieutenant												
Emp #	Last Name Politano			First Name Michael			Middle I. V.	Rank Sgt.				
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-end;"> <div> <p>Watch Commander / Supervising Lieutenant's Signature: <i>[Signature]</i> (Minh G. Dinh)</p> <p>Todd P. Weber</p> </div> <div> <p>Date: _____</p> </div> <div> <p>Copy Provided to Employee by: [REDACTED]</p> </div> <div> <p>Emp #: _____</p> </div> </div>												
Unit Commander (Print Name)				Unit Commander's Signature: _____				Emp #: _____		Date: _____		
FO# _____				<input type="checkbox"/> PPI REVIEW COMPLETED				Original: Discovery Unit Copy: Unit Commander				

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SUSPECT INFORMATION

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Suspect Information									
Last Name		First Name		Middle Name		Armed? Select			
Gonzalez		Rodolfo		NMN		Not Armed			
AKA Last Name		First Name		Middle Name					
Hernandez		Rudy (Gizmo)							
Sex:	Race:	Age:	Height:	Weight:	D.O.B:	Phone #1:	<input type="radio"/> H <input type="radio"/> W <input type="radio"/> C	Phone #2:	<input type="radio"/> H <input type="radio"/> W <input type="radio"/> C
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Street Address:				City:		State & Zip Code:			
Booking #:		Primary Charge Code:		Secondary Charge Code:		Criminal History			
5175375		207 PC		10851(a) CVC					
Treated on Scene?		Name:		Unit:		Phone #:			
<input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO		Capts. Cash & Williams		Engine 33		(661)9481180			
Hospital Admission?		Rec'd Treatment At:		Coroner Case #:		Mental History		<input type="checkbox"/> User's guide provides direction on this entry	
<input type="checkbox"/>		Antelope Valley Hosp							
By:		Address:		Phone #:					
Dr. Daniel Khodabakhsh		1600 W Avenue J, Lancaster, CA 93534		(661) 949-5000					
Under Influence:		Substance:		5150 a factor in force?		<input type="radio"/> YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO		<input type="checkbox"/> User's guide provides direction on this entry	
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EMPLOYEE / NON-EMPLOYEE INFORMATION

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Employee Witnesses					
Emp. #	Last Name	First Name	Middle Name		
Unit of Assignment:		Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.):		Shift:	
Lancaster				<input type="radio"/> EM <input type="radio"/> Day <input checked="" type="radio"/> PM <input checked="" type="radio"/> Regular <input type="radio"/> OT <input type="radio"/> Off Duty	
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	Wurm	Sammie	J.		
Unit of Assignment:		Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.):		Shift:	
Lancaster		112D		<input type="radio"/> EM <input type="radio"/> Day <input checked="" type="radio"/> PM <input checked="" type="radio"/> Regular <input type="radio"/> OT <input type="radio"/> Off Duty	
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	Boosalis	Justin	D.		
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Non-Employee Witnesses					
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Employee Witnesses					
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	Harris	Tanner	J.		
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	Perez	Estevan	NMN		
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Emp. #	Last Name	First Name	Middle Name		
	Herrera	Claudia	E.		
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	Perrigo	Chad	T.		
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	Anderson	Zachary	V.		
Unit of Assignment:		Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.):		Shift:	
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	Thompson	Michael	A.		
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	Granados	Grace	M.		
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	Telles	Chantelle	A.		
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	Arnold	Layne	B.		
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**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**

INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

INCIDENT: Category 3 Use of Force, Fractured Wrist

IAB FILE NUMBER: FO 2442500

URN#: 917-23667-1121-091

DATE/TIME: December 9, 2017, 2034 hours

LOCATION: 44539 10th Street West,
Lancaster, California 93534

On Sunday, December 10, 2017, Internal Affairs Bureau (IAB) Lieutenant Minh Dinh, Sergeants John Adams and Francois Chang responded to Lancaster Sheriff's Station to investigate a use of force incident, wherein Suspect Rodolfo Gonzalez (Suspect Gonzalez) sustained a fractured right wrist.

SYNOPSIS

On December 9, 2017, Deputies [REDACTED] (passenger) and Sammie Wurm worked as unit 112D on the P.M. shift. They located an unoccupied stolen Toyota truck in the parking lot near an ARCO gas station, at the corner of Avenue J and Division Street. Deputies [REDACTED] and Wurm saw several suspicious individuals loitering near the stolen vehicle. According to Deputy [REDACTED] this area was known for its gang, drug, and prostitution activities. Deputy [REDACTED] requested backup and continued to monitor the stolen vehicle.

While Deputies [REDACTED] and Wurm were monitoring the area, two persons entered the stolen Toyota truck and drove off. The driver of the stolen Toyota truck was identified as Suspect Gonzalez. The passenger was identified as [REDACTED] (Witness [REDACTED]). Deputies [REDACTED] and Wurm initiated a pre-stop coordination over Dispatch 15 [Exhibit A]. Within a few minutes, the following deputies joined the pre-stop coordination: Deputies Justin Boosalis and Tanner Harris (unit 113A); and Deputies Estevan Perez and Claudia Herrera (unit 112A).

Lancaster Station's Watch Commander, Sergeant Michael Politano # [REDACTED] and Watch Sergeant Jeffrey Hutchinson # [REDACTED] responded to the desk and established telephone communication with the Sheriff's Communication Center (SCC). Sergeant Hutchinson requested a helicopter unit as did Deputy [REDACTED] however, the responding helicopter had an extended response time from Santa

Clarita area. Sergeant Layne Arnold (Unit 110S) heard the radio traffic and responded toward the area.

Vehicle Pursuit:

The stolen Toyota truck seemed to obey traffic laws as it traversed through residential streets during the pre-stop coordination. Deputies [REDACTED] and Wurm initiated a felony traffic stop at the intersection of Hardwood Avenue and Avenue J-4. Suspect Gonzalez did not stop and continued driving north on Hardwood Avenue. He failed to stop for a stop sign at Hardwood Avenue and Avenue J. Deputies [REDACTED] and Wurm initiated a vehicle pursuit of the stolen Toyota truck. The deputies saw Suspect Gonzalez turn left, going westbound against the flow of traffic in the eastbound lanes of Avenue J. Suspect Gonzalez' reckless driving caused several vehicles on Avenue J to stop to avoid a traffic collision. Suspect Gonzalez crossed all lanes of traffic on Avenue J, and entered a parking lot at the northeast corner of Avenue J and 10th Street West. He sped through the parking lot diagonally and entered a vacant dirt field, east of the east sidewalk of 10th Street West. At this time, Deputies [REDACTED] and Wurm canceled their vehicle pursuit due to Suspect Gonzalez' reckless driving. Simultaneous to the deputies' self-cancellation of the vehicle pursuit, Sergeant Politano advised SCC to cancel the vehicle pursuit on the phone. All ground units discontinued this vehicle pursuit. The vehicle pursuit lasted approximately 45 seconds and covered a distance of approximately ¼ of a mile [Exhibit B].

Seconds after the cancellation of the vehicle pursuit, Deputies [REDACTED] and Wurm saw the brake lights of the stolen Toyota truck illuminate. Believing the occupants were about to abandon it, Deputy [REDACTED] advised all units to "stand by." Seconds later, the stolen Toyota truck drove off the east curb of 10th Street West and crossed all lanes of traffic into the opposing lanes. Deputy [REDACTED] re-confirmed the cancellation of this vehicle pursuit due to Suspect Gonzalez' reckless driving. In the meantime, Suspect Gonzalez drove onto the west sidewalk and traveled a short distance before he hit a concrete wheelchair access ramp in front of 44539 10th Street West. The impact did not cause any damage to the Toyota truck nor the wheelchair access ramp. However, the undercarriage of the truck came to rest on top of the concrete wheelchair access ramp, making it difficult to drive away.

Foot Pursuit:

Once the stolen Toyota truck stopped, Suspect Gonzalez exited the driver's side, ran north on 10th Street West, and west on West Newgrove Street along the south sidewalk. Witness [REDACTED] also exited the stolen Toyota truck on the passenger's side, but she stayed in place. She was subsequently arrested for possession of narcotics [Exhibit C].

From a distance, the pursuing deputies realized the stolen Toyota truck was stuck on the wheelchair access ramp. They responded to the location and set up containment. Deputies Boosalis and Harris drove past Suspect Gonzalez on West Newgrove Street, and turned in front of him to block his path with their patrol vehicle. Suspect Gonzalez did not give up. He ran south into the driveway at [REDACTED] Deputies Boosalis and Harris exited their patrol vehicle and chased him. Once Suspect Gonzalez jumped over a six-foot wooden fence at the rear of the property, both deputies stopped. The deputies held a north containment position and advised other deputies about Suspect Gonzalez' last seen direction. This foot pursuit lasted approximately 34 seconds and covered approximately 112 feet [Exhibit D].

During a subsequent interview with IAB investigators, Suspect Gonzalez claimed when he was on top of the wooden fence, one of the deputies grabbed his shirt, causing him to lose his balance and fall onto the other side of the fence. As a result, he fell "flat" on his face, and immediately noticed his right wrist was broken. Suspect Gonzalez said he got up and ran south along the properties on the east side of Anvers Avenue. Suspect Gonzalez knew his right wrist was broken, because it "kept giving out" on him as he continued to scale additional fences. Deputies Boosalis and Harris both denied having any physical contact with Suspect Gonzalez to IAB investigators.

While Suspect Gonzalez was running from the first group of deputies, Deputy Aaron Tanner (unit 113B) held a south containment position in his vehicle at Norberry Street and 12th Street West. At this position, he briefly saw Suspect Gonzalez running south on Anvers Avenue. Deputy Tanner checked the area and saw Suspect Gonzalez standing next to a cinder block wall of a property on the east side of Anvers Avenue, facing south. Deputy Tanner exited his patrol vehicle and ordered Suspect Gonzalez to stop and show his hands from a distance of approximately 35 feet. Suspect Gonzalez ignored Deputy Tanner and climbed the cinder block wall into the backyard of said residence.

At this time, Deputy Grace Granados (unit 111) drove up and saw Suspect Gonzalez jump over the cinder block wall. Deputy Granados used her radio to advise Suspect Gonzalez was running south on Anvers Avenue. She saw Deputy Tanner walk parallel to Suspect Gonzalez' direction of travel on the east sidewalk of Anvers Avenue. She noticed Deputy Tanner walked to the south side of the property. Moments later, Deputy Tanner peered over the second cinder block wall, climbed over it, and went out of her view.

Deputy Tanner said he tracked Suspect Gonzalez' movements from the sidewalk. He went south to the property's (south) cinder block wall and saw Suspect Gonzalez climb over it. Once Suspect Gonzalez dropped out of Deputy Tanner's view, Deputy Tanner made his approach and peered over the south wall. He did not see Suspect Gonzalez in the alleyway behind the south wall.

He knew the alleyway would lead him to 10th Street West where the other deputies were present.

Deputy Tanner climbed over the south cinder block wall and ran down the alleyway. When he emerged on 10th Street West, he saw Deputy Perez standing on the street to his left. Deputy Perez yelled to him, saying Suspect Gonzalez was running south. Deputy Perez' motions led Deputy Tanner to believe they would engage in a foot pursuit. Deputies Tanner and Perez chased Suspect Gonzalez south on 10th Street West, rounded the corner of a building, and continued west through a parking lot.

According to Deputy Perez, he was approximately 30 to 40 feet behind Deputy Tanner at the on-set of this foot pursuit. Deputy Perez ran around the first building and into the parking lot, where he realized Deputy Tanner and Suspect Gonzalez had outrun him. He stopped running after Deputy Tanner, only because he saw two Sheriff's vehicles in front of them (it was later discovered the second vehicle was a civilian vehicle that resembled an under-cover Sheriff's vehicle). Deputy Perez did not radio broadcast he discontinued his foot pursuit and did not remember if he verbally told Deputy Tanner of the same.

Meanwhile, Deputy Tanner closed the distance between him and Suspect Gonzalez when he believed Deputy Perez was still right behind them and two units were in front of them. Deputy Tanner caught up to Suspect Gonzalez. He reached out and pushed Suspect Gonzalez in the back. Suspect Gonzalez lost his balance and fell to the ground. This foot pursuit lasted approximately 69 seconds and covered approximately 350 feet **[Exhibit D]**.

Deputy Tanner used his hands to hold Suspect Gonzalez on the ground, pending the arrival of the additional deputies. Deputy Chad Perrigo (unit 112T2) was in a marked SUV patrol vehicle in the parking lot. He saw the foot chase and drove over to assist Deputy Tanner. They handcuffed Suspect Gonzalez, without resistance.

Deputies Zachary Anderson and Michael Thompson (Unit 112H) arrived and secured Suspect Gonzalez in the back seat of their patrol vehicle. Suspect Gonzalez complained of pain to his right wrist. He was treated in the field by the paramedics and taken to Antelope Valley Hospital, where he received medical clearance for booking. The deputies reported their actions and use of force to Sergeant Layne Arnold (Unit 110S).

INVOLVED EMPLOYEE AND WORK HISTORY

Aaron Tanner, Deputy, # [REDACTED]
North Patrol Division
Lancaster Sheriff's Station

Work History

Date of Employment:
Date Assigned to Patrol/Lancaster Station:
Date Completed Patrol Training:
Prior Founded Force Incidents:

February 12, 2007
January 24, 2010
[REDACTED]

Equipment Worn on Person

Class "B" Uniform
Pepper Spray
Key ring and keys
Firearm
Two pairs of handcuffs in handcuff cases
Leatherman tool
Backup set of keys
Flashlight
Radio holder
Taser
Baton
Triple magazine pouch

SUSPECT INFORMATION

Suspect: Rodolfo Gonzalez (AKA: Hernandez, Rudy), Booking #5175375
M/H, DOB: 12/19/85, 5'07," 165 lbs., brown hair, brown eyes
Address: [REDACTED]
CII# [REDACTED] MAIN# [REDACTED] FBI# [REDACTED]

Suspect Gonzalez' criminal history report shows he had [REDACTED] At the
time of his arrest, Suspect Gonzalez had [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Suspect
Gonzalez' truncated Consolidated Criminal History Reporting System (CCHRS)
report was submitted with this force review.

SUSPECT'S INJURIES:

Suspect Gonzalez sustained a right wrist fracture [Exhibit E]. The attending physician, Dr. Daniel Khodabakhsh, could not definitively determine the cause of Suspect Gonzalez' wrist injury. He opined the wrist fracture could have been caused by falling off a six-foot fence, being pushed to the ground, or it might have been a pre-existing injury. Suspect Gonzalez had an abrasion and redness to his right knee, abrasions and scratch marks to his left shoulder, abrasions to his left elbow, and a minor contusion to the right side of his forehead.

DEPUTY PERSONNEL INJURIES

None.

PHYSICAL EVIDENCE

None

INVESTIGATOR'S OBSERVATIONS

Approximately five hours had transpired from the time of the use of force occurred to the arrival of IAB investigators. Upon the arrival of IAB investigators, the field investigation had been concluded, and Suspect Gonzalez was secured inside a holding cell at Lancaster Sheriff's Station. IAB investigators checked the area during daylight hours in an attempt to locate video surveillance(s), showing the vehicle / foot pursuits and the use of force, but found none.

LIGHTING AND WEATHER CONDITIONS

The incident occurred during nighttime hours. The weather was clear.

WEAPON USED BY DEPUTY AARON TANNER

None.

WEAPON USED BY SUSPECT GONZALEZ

Personal Weapon (Push).

PROPERTY DAMAGE

None.

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION AND CHARGES FILED

Detective Miguel Llaury # [REDACTED] submitted the case to the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office. Suspect Gonzalez was charged with the following counts under case number MA072781:

- 1) Taking a vehicle without the owner's consent (10851(a) CVC), and
- 2) Felony reckless evading (2800.2 CVC)

Suspect Gonzalez was convicted of the felony reckless evading and sentenced to serve four years in the state prison. The first count was dismissed due to a plea negotiation.

STATEMENTS

The following narratives are intended only as a synopsis of the interviews which have been paraphrased for clarification purposes. Additional information and precise wording may be obtained by reviewing the digitally audio recorded interviews and verbatim transcriptions.

WITNESS EMPLOYEES

Deputy [REDACTED]

On August 15, 2018, Deputy [REDACTED] was interviewed by IAB Sergeant Francois Chang at Lancaster Sheriff's Station. On September 26, 2018, Deputy [REDACTED] was re-interviewed by Sergeant Francois Chang. The following is the summary of Deputy [REDACTED] interviews:

On December 9, 2017, Deputy [REDACTED] worked as unit 112D with Deputy Wurm. Deputy [REDACTED] was the passenger. Deputy [REDACTED] first saw the stolen Toyota truck in the northeast parking lot of Division Street and Avenue J. Deputy [REDACTED] described this area as a "high-crime, narcotics" area, where gang members frequently hung out, sold drugs, guns, and engaged in human trafficking. The stolen Toyota truck was unoccupied, but several people were loitering in the general vicinity. Deputy [REDACTED] requested back-up for officer safety reasons. While they were monitoring the area, the suspects entered the stolen Toyota truck and drove away.

Deputy [REDACTED] followed the stolen Toyota truck and noticed two occupants inside the vehicle. He initiated a pre-stop coordination (Code 9) over Dispatch 15. Upon the arrival of two additional units at Hardwood Avenue and Avenue J-4, Deputies [REDACTED] and Wurm attempted to conduct a felony traffic stop. The stolen Toyota truck sped away at a high rate of speed, failing to stop for a stop sign at Hardwood Avenue and Avenue J. Deputies [REDACTED] and Wurm initiated a vehicle pursuit of the stolen Toyota truck as it traveled erratically in a northwest direction, cutting across all lanes of traffic on Avenue J, forcing other motorists to stop abruptly to avoid a collision. Deputy [REDACTED] advised SCC that they were cancelling the pursuit due to the suspect's reckless driving. Deputy [REDACTED] did not believe "it was worth the public safety, putting the public in jeopardy" for a property crime. Once Deputy [REDACTED] canceled the vehicle pursuit, the other two units also disengaged.

Just as Deputy [REDACTED] canceled his vehicle pursuit, the brake lights of the stolen Toyota truck illuminated. Believing the occupants of the stolen Toyota truck were going to abandon the vehicle, he announced "stand by" on his radio. Once he saw the stolen Toyota truck travel through a dirt field, jump over a curb, and go north on 10th Street West, he then realized the occupants of the stolen

Toyota truck continued to evade arrest. Deputy [REDACTED] reaffirmed, on the radio, about his cancelling of the vehicle pursuit.

As Deputy Wurm drove their patrol vehicle in the opposite direction, Deputy [REDACTED] continued to watch as the stolen Toyota truck hopped a curb and became stranded on the west sidewalk of 10th Street West. Deputy [REDACTED] saw a Hispanic male exit the driver's side, and a Hispanic female exit the passenger's side of the stolen Toyota truck. Both suspects ran north on the west sidewalk and out of his view. Seconds later, Deputy [REDACTED] heard Deputy Boosalis say on the radio that he was in a foot pursuit of the suspect. Deputies [REDACTED] and Wurm took a containment position at 12th Street West and Oldfield Street. While waiting at this containment spot, Deputy [REDACTED] heard the suspects were taken into custody. Deputy [REDACTED] did not witness any use of force or foot pursuit.

IAB investigators showed Deputy [REDACTED] a map of the area. Deputy [REDACTED] outlined where the vehicle pursuit began and ended - See map at end of transcript.

Deputy Sammie Wurm

On September 7, 2018, Deputy Wurm was interviewed by IAB Sergeant Francois Chang at Lancaster Sheriff's Station.

On December 9, 2017, Deputy Wurm was working as unit 112D with her [REDACTED] Deputy [REDACTED]. She was the driver of their patrol vehicle. While driving west on Avenue J at Division Street, Deputy [REDACTED] checked the license plate number of a Toyota truck in front of them. They discovered it was a reported stolen vehicle. When the SCC dispatcher asked for their status, Deputy [REDACTED] advised they were "Code-9" behind the stolen Toyota truck. Deputy [REDACTED] asked for additional units before they attempted to conduct a felony traffic stop. She knew there were two occupants in the stolen Toyota truck as they traveled on Beech Avenue, and turned west on Avenue J-4.

Once two additional patrol units arrived, Deputy Wurm activated her red lights and siren. The stolen Toyota truck turned right, going north on Hardwood Avenue, toward Avenue J. She recalled the stolen Toyota truck failed to stop for a stop sign, as it turned left to go west on Avenue J, in the east bound lanes. She heard Deputy [REDACTED] advise SCC that they were in pursuit of the stolen vehicle. The stolen Toyota truck suddenly cut across all lanes of traffic on Avenue J, and entered a parking lot east of 10th Street West. She recalled several cars had to abruptly stop on Avenue J to avoid a collision with the stolen Toyota truck.

When the stolen Toyota truck traveled north through a dirt lot at the end of the parking lot, Deputy [REDACTED] cancelled the pursuit. Deputy Wurm stopped pursuing the stolen Toyota truck. She turned off her overhead lights and siren.

As she turned to go in the opposite direction, she saw the truck's brake lights illuminate. She believed the stolen Toyota truck was going to stop. She heard Deputy [REDACTED] announce "stand by" on the radio, but she soon realized the stolen Toyota truck was not stopping. It traveled north on the east sidewalk of 10th Street West, crossed all lanes of traffic, and got stuck on a raised wheel chair access ramp on the west side of 10th Street West. Deputy Wurm saw another patrol car going north bound on 10th Street West toward the stolen Toyota truck. She noticed the driver and passenger doors of the stolen Toyota truck were opened. From a distance, she saw the male and female suspects get out, run north on 10th Street West toward West Newgrove Street, and out of her view.

After losing sight of the suspects, Deputy Wurm heard Deputy Boosalis say on the radio that he was in a foot pursuit of the suspect. Deputy Wurm drove to a containment position at 12th Street West and Oldfield Street. They remained there until the suspects were taken into custody. Deputies Wurm and [REDACTED] completed the required reports and notified the owner of the Toyota truck about its recovery.

IAB investigators showed Deputy Wurm a map of the area where the vehicle pursuit occurred. Deputy Wurm outlined where her vehicle pursuit began and ended - See map at end of transcript.

Deputy Justin Boosalis

On August 15, 2018, Deputy Boosalis was interviewed by IAB Sergeant Francois Chang at Crescenta Valley Sheriff's Station.

On December 9, 2017, Deputy Boosalis worked as unit 113A with Deputy Harris. Deputy Boosalis was the passenger. Deputies Boosalis and Harris responded to Division Street and Avenue J, regarding a known stolen vehicle that was located by Deputy [REDACTED] and his partner. He later heard Deputy [REDACTED] pre-stop radio communication. When they arrived, they assumed the secondary position, behind Deputy [REDACTED] unit. They followed the stolen Toyota truck as it went south on Beech Avenue, west on Avenue J-4, and north on Hardwood Avenue. The deputies attempted to conduct a felony traffic stop of the stolen Toyota truck on Hardwood Avenue. The occupants of stolen Toyota truck tried to evade arrest as they sped up and did not stop for a stop sign at Hardwood Avenue and Avenue J. The deputies engaged in a vehicle pursuit. The stolen Toyota truck traveled in a northwesterly direction across five lanes of traffic on Avenue J. The stolen Toyota truck made "erratic" and "unpredictable" movements, as it traveled diagonally through a dirt lot on the north side of the parking lot and drove off the east curb onto 10th Street West.

As soon as Deputy [REDACTED] canceled the vehicle pursuit, Deputies Boosalis and Harris discontinued their involvement, by turning off their lights and siren. They

drove slowly across the dirt lot, trying to get back onto 10th Street West, without causing damage to the undercarriage of the patrol car. From his position, Deputy Boosalis saw the stolen Toyota truck travel across 10th Street West and onto the west sidewalk. Within seconds, the stolen Toyota truck stopped and its driver (Suspect Gonzalez) ran north on the west sidewalk of 10th Street West, toward West Newgrove Street. Deputies Boosalis and Harris continued driving north on 10th Street West and turned left on West Newgrove Street. They stopped their patrol car just slightly ahead of Suspect Gonzalez' position, cutting in front of him. As soon as they exited the patrol car, Suspect Gonzalez turned left and ran south down a long a driveway at [REDACTED] Deputies Boosalis and Harris initiated a foot pursuit.

Deputy Boosalis announced their foot pursuit on his radio, along with their location since Deputy Harris was running ahead of him. Suspect Gonzalez ran to a six-foot, wooden fence, and jumped over it. Deputies Boosalis and Harris lost sight of Suspect Gonzalez in the dark. They canceled their foot pursuit and remained at the fence to contain the area. Deputy Boosalis advised deputies of Suspect Gonzalez' last known direction of travel, and his clothing description on his radio. He estimated their foot pursuit lasted five seconds and covered approximately 50 feet. Neither Deputies Boosalis nor Harris made any physical contact with Suspect Gonzalez.

A short time later, Deputy Boosalis heard on the radio that the suspect was running south on 10th Street West. Since there was another unit at their location, Deputies Boosalis and Harris left this containment position and drove to 10th Street West. Soon, they learned Suspect Gonzalez was taken into custody. Deputy Boosalis did not use force on Suspect Gonzalez nor did he witness his partner use force. Deputy Boosalis heard someone say Suspect Gonzalez complained of pain to his arm as a result of falling and jumping over fences. Personnel from the fire department responded and treated Suspect Gonzalez at the scene. Deputy Boosalis remembered seeing what looked like an unmarked police car at the location of Suspect Gonzalez' arrest; however, Deputy Boosalis realized it belonged to a civilian.

IAB investigators showed Deputy Boosalis two maps. Deputy Boosalis outlined on both maps, where the vehicle and foot pursuits began and ended - See maps at end of transcript.

Deputy Tanner Harris

On August 15, 2018, Deputy Harris was interviewed by IAB Sergeant Francois Chang at Lancaster Sheriff's Station.

On December 9, 2017, Deputy Harris worked as unit 113A with Deputy Boosalis. Deputy Harris was the driver. While on routine patrol, Deputy Harris heard Deputy [REDACTED] advise on the radio that he was following a stolen Toyota truck

in the area of Avenue J and Sierra Highway. Deputy Harris responded and joined the pre-stop coordination as the secondary unit. Once the third unit arrived, they activated their red lights and attempted to pull over the stolen Toyota truck. The driver of the stolen Toyota truck led them on a short vehicle pursuit, after he failed to pull over and stop for a stop sign at Avenue J. The stolen Toyota truck traveled west on Avenue J, entered a parking lot at the northeast corner of 10th Street West and Avenue J. When Deputy [REDACTED] canceled the vehicle pursuit, Deputy Harris stopped and observed the stolen Toyota truck, as it traveled through a dirt field, in a northwesterly direction. The stolen Toyota truck went off the east curb of 10th Street West, crossed the street, and drove onto the west curb of 10th Street West. When the stolen Toyota truck stopped on a sidewalk, Deputy Harris saw Suspect Gonzalez get out and run from its driver's side. Suspect Gonzalez ran north on the west sidewalk of 10th Street West and turned left to go west on West Newgrove Street. Deputy Harris drove his patrol vehicle past Suspect Gonzalez on West Newgrove Street, and he stopped in a driveway further west to cut Suspect Gonzalez off. He hoped Suspect Gonzalez would give up; however, Suspect Gonzalez turned left and ran down a driveway, leading both Deputies Harris and Boosalis on a short foot pursuit.

Deputy Harris ran in front of Deputy Boosalis, as Deputy Boosalis used his radio to announce their foot pursuit. When Suspect Gonzalez jumped over a six-foot wooden fence at the rear of the property, they stopped chasing him. Deputy Harris lost sight of Suspect Gonzalez and did not want to split up with his partner. Deputy Boosalis provided Suspect Gonzalez' last known direction of travel on the radio. Deputies Harris and Boosalis remained at this containment position. Neither deputies had any physical contact with Suspect Gonzalez. He estimated their foot pursuit covered approximately 30 feet in seven seconds.

A short time later, Deputies Harris and Boosalis heard Suspect Gonzalez was arrested on the radio. They left the containment position and drove to the location of arrest. Upon arrival, Deputy Harris saw Suspect Gonzalez in handcuffs as he was being escorted to a patrol car. Deputy Harris did not witness any use of force, but heard Suspect Gonzalez complain of pain to his arm. Suspect Gonzalez was transported to the hospital for medical treatment.

IAB investigators showed Deputy Harris two maps. Deputy Harris outlined on both maps where their vehicle and foot pursuits began and ended - See maps at end of transcript.

Deputy Estevan Perez

On August 15, 2018 Deputy Perez was interviewed by IAB Sergeant Francois Chang at Lancaster Sheriff's Station.

On December 9, 2017, Deputy Perez worked as unit 112A with Deputy Herrera. Deputy Perez was the driver. When Deputies Perez and Herrera heard a pre-stop coordination of a stolen Toyota truck over the radio, they responded and became the third unit to follow it. Upon arrival, he heard Deputy [REDACTED] advise they were going to stop the stolen Toyota truck on Hardwood Avenue. The stolen Toyota truck did not yield and continued to travel west on Avenue J from Hardwood Avenue. Being the third unit in line, he slowed down and yielded to cross vehicular traffic on Avenue J.

Deputy Perez saw the stolen Toyota truck turn into a shopping center, at the northeast corner of 10th Street West and Avenue J. Due to Deputy Perez' knowledge of the limited entry and exit points of this parking lot, he positioned his patrol vehicle on 10th Street West, north of Avenue J, while the first two units followed the stolen Toyota truck into the parking lot. Once Deputy [REDACTED] canceled the vehicle pursuit, Deputy Perez turned his car around to go in the opposite direction. As he did so, he saw the stolen Toyota truck get stuck on the west sidewalk of 10th Street West, south of West Newgrove Street.

From a distance away, Deputy Perez saw a male Hispanic (Suspect Gonzalez) exit the driver's side and a female Hispanic (Witness [REDACTED]) exit the passenger side of the stolen Toyota truck. Both suspects ran north on 10th Street West toward West Newgrove Street. Deputy Perez turned around, drove to and stopped behind the stolen Toyota truck. He saw Suspect Gonzalez run west on West Newgrove Street. He immediately advised Suspect Gonzalez' movements on the radio. Deputies Perez and Herrera ran to the address, where they believed they last saw Suspect Gonzalez. They realized Suspect Gonzalez was "too far" for them to engage in a foot pursuit. Deputy Perez returned to his vehicle and noticed Witness [REDACTED] was being detained by another deputy. Deputy Perez positioned himself on 10th Street West approximately 30 feet behind his patrol car. He noticed his partner was talking to Witness [REDACTED] nearby.

At this containment position, Deputy Perez saw Suspect Gonzalez emerge between two buildings, just south of him. After Suspect Gonzalez made eye contact with Deputy Perez, Suspect Gonzalez ran south and entered a parking lot further south of him. Within seconds, Deputy Tanner also emerged from between the same two buildings. Deputy Perez yelled to Deputy Tanner, telling him Suspect Gonzalez' direction of travel.

Deputy Tanner chased after Suspect Gonzalez, as did Deputy Perez from a distance of approximately 30 feet behind Deputy Tanner. When Deputy Perez turned into the parking lot where he last saw Deputy Tanner, Deputy Perez realized Deputy Tanner and Suspect Gonzalez had outrun him. Deputy Perez knew he could not "quickly provide assistance" to Deputy Tanner. However, Deputy Perez saw a marked SUV patrol unit, and what he believed to be an unmarked patrol car in front of Suspect Gonzalez. Believing the deputies in

those two patrol vehicles could assist Deputy Tanner since they were closer to Deputy Tanner than he was, Deputy Perez discontinued his foot pursuit. Deputy Perez did not recall if he had verbally advised Deputy Tanner about his discontinuing of the foot pursuit. Deputy Perez wanted to keep the air clear of radio traffic to allow Deputy Tanner the opportunity to use it if needed. Deputy Perez estimated his foot pursuit lasted approximately 10 seconds. After he stopped running, Deputy Perez vaguely saw the deputies take Suspect Gonzalez into custody from a distance away and in low light. Deputy Perez did not witness any use of force. He did not go to the terminus point of the foot pursuit, but returned to the stolen Toyota truck to work on the recovery report. Deputy Perez later learned what he initially thought to be an unmarked unit was a civilian vehicle.

IAB investigators showed Deputy Perez two maps. Deputy Perez outlined on both maps where the vehicle and foot pursuits began and ended - See maps at end of transcript.

Deputy Claudia Herrera

On August 23, 2018, Deputy Herrera was interviewed by IAB Sergeant Francois Chang at Lancaster Sheriff's Station.

On December 9, 2017, Deputy Herrera worked as unit 112A with her [REDACTED] Deputy Perez. She was the passenger. Deputies Herrera and Perez were involved in the pre-stop coordination and the vehicle pursuit.

As they drove toward 10th Street West, Deputy Herrera saw the stolen Toyota truck exit the shopping center, drive across 10th Street West into oncoming traffic, and hit a curb. The stolen Toyota truck came to rest on a cement ramp of the west sidewalk. Once the stolen Toyota truck became stuck, Deputy Herrera saw a male (Suspect Gonzalez) run north on 10th Street West to the next street. Suspect Gonzalez then ran west at the next street and out of her view.

Deputy Herrera recalled they stopped approximately twenty yards north of the stolen Toyota truck. She ran to the street corner to see if she could find Suspect Gonzalez. Deputy Herrera knew Deputy Perez was behind her because she could "hear him the whole time." Deputy Herrera did not see Suspect Gonzalez, but saw two male deputies run past her. She did not know if those deputies were actually going after Suspect Gonzalez, or they just tried to follow Suspect Gonzalez' last known direction of travel.

Deputy Herrera followed the two deputies and saw them look over a wall. Seeing nobody on the other side of the wall, Deputy Herrera returned to the stolen Toyota truck. She searched the female passenger (Witness [REDACTED] who was detained by Deputy Granados) and interviewed her. During this time, Deputy Herrera heard on the radio that Suspect Gonzalez was arrested within the

containment. Deputy Herrera could not remember if they were involved in a vehicle pursuit because she was too new in the field, but she did not engage in a foot pursuit after Suspect Gonzalez. She did not use force nor did she witness any force being used. The incident was a "big blur" for her since it was her [REDACTED] at the station.

IAB investigators showed Deputy Herrera a map, showing the areas where the vehicle pursuit occurred. Deputy Herrera could not recall if she was in the same area as seen on the map - See map at end of transcript.

Deputy Chad Perrigo

On August 29, 2018, Deputy Perrigo was interviewed by IAB Sergeants Francois Chang and Jeremy Carr at the Internal Affairs Bureau. He was represented by Mr. Ken Yuwiler from Rains, Lucia, Stern, St. Phalle & Silver law firm.

On December 9, 2017, Deputy Perrigo worked as unit 112T2. During his shift, Deputy Perrigo heard radio traffic concerning a suspect (Suspect Gonzalez) fleeing from a stolen vehicle. He heard a deputy request a containment to be set. Deputy Perrigo responded to the vicinity and stopped south of Suspect Gonzalez' last known direction of travel.

While waiting in the area, Deputy Perrigo heard Suspect Gonzalez was running toward his location. Shortly thereafter, Deputy Perrigo saw Deputy Tanner chasing Suspect Gonzalez, and both of them were running toward his position. Deputy Perrigo could not recall the distance between him and where he first saw Deputy Tanner, but opined that he could have immediately assisted Deputy Tanner if needed.

Deputy Perrigo drove his patrol vehicle out of the dirt lot toward Deputy Tanner and Suspect Gonzalez. While trying to move his vehicle around a fence, Deputy Perrigo briefly lost sight of them. When Deputy Perrigo looked up, he saw Deputy Tanner crouching over Suspect Gonzalez, who was lying on the ground by a concrete planter. Deputy Perrigo exited his patrol vehicle and ran to assist Deputy Tanner from a distance of approximately 15 to 20 feet. They handcuffed Suspect Gonzalez without further incident. Deputy Perrigo did not see Deputy Tanner use force against Suspect Gonzalez.

Deputy Zachary Anderson

On August 15, 2018, Deputy Anderson was interviewed by IAB Sergeant Francois Chang at Lancaster Sheriff's Station.

On December 9, 2017, Deputy Anderson worked as unit 112H with Deputy Michael Thompson. They responded and arrived at the terminus point of Deputy Tanner's foot pursuit. He saw Deputy Tanner kneeling next to Suspect

Gonzalez' body. Suspect Gonzalez was already handcuffed, and he was lying on the ground face down. Deputy Anderson saw Deputy Tanner roll Suspect Gonzalez to the right and into a seated position.

Deputies Anderson and Thompson grabbed Suspect Gonzalez' arms and they assisted him to his feet without resistance. Deputy Anderson held Suspect Gonzalez' right biceps, as Deputy Thompson held Suspect Gonzalez' left biceps. While they were conducting a pat-down search of Suspect Gonzalez' clothing for weapons, Suspect Gonzalez repeatedly said, "My arm is broken." Deputies Anderson and Thompson detained Suspect Gonzalez in the back seat of their patrol vehicle, requested medical personnel to their location, and advised their field sergeant of Suspect Gonzalez' claim of injury. Deputy Anderson did not use force nor did he witness anyone use force. They transported Suspect Gonzalez to Antelope Valley Hospital for medical treatment.

Deputy Michael Thompson

On September 25, 2018, IAB Sergeant Francois Chang interviewed Deputy Thompson on the phone, because he was on an authorized leave of absence.

On December 9, 2017, Deputy Thompson worked as unit 112H with Deputy Anderson. Deputies Thompson and Anderson were approximately three minutes away when they responded to an assistance request regarding a vehicle theft suspect (Suspect Gonzalez) running away from Deputy Wurm.

Upon their arrival to 44469 10th Street West, Deputy Thompson saw the handcuffed suspect, lying face down on the ground. Deputy Tanner was kneeling next to Suspect Gonzalez' upper torso, as Deputy Perrigo stood next to them. Deputy Thompson helped Suspect Gonzalez to get on his feet before they escorted him to their patrol car. When Suspect Gonzalez told them about his broken arm, Deputy Thompson requested emergency medical care for him. Paramedics from the Los Angeles County Fire Department responded and treated him in the field. Deputy Thompson did not ask Subject Gonzalez how he sustained his injury. Deputy Thompson did not use force nor did he witness anyone use of force on Suspect Gonzalez. Deputies Thompson and Anderson transported Suspect Gonzalez to Antelope Valley Hospital for medical treatment.

Deputy Grace Granados

On September 26, 2018, IAB Sergeant Francois Chang interviewed Deputy Granados on the phone, because she was on an authorized leave of absence.

On December 9, 2017, Deputy Granados worked as unit 111. Deputy Granados was approximately seven to ten minutes away when she responded to the area following the vehicle and foot pursuits.

Deputy Granados drove to Anvers Avenue and saw Deputy Tanner exit his patrol vehicle. Deputy Granados parked her patrol unit approximately 10 feet behind Deputy Tanner's car, facing south. She saw Deputy Tanner run south toward the dead-end of Anvers Avenue. Deputy Granados also saw Suspect Gonzalez jump down, from on top of a seven-foot wooden fence, into a backyard of a house and out of her view. Deputy Granados advised Suspect Gonzalez' last known direction of travel on her radio. She noticed Deputy Tanner did not immediately run after Suspect Gonzalez; however, he ran south in the same general direction, on the sidewalk in front of the house in question. When Deputy Tanner got to a cinder block wall south of said property, he looked over the wall, jumped over it, and ran east out of her view. Soon after Deputy Granados returned to her car, she heard radio traffic indicating Suspect Gonzalez was being apprehended.

Deputy Granados said she did not follow Deputy Tanner over the cinder block wall, because their patrol cars were still on Anvers Avenue. Besides, Deputy Tanner's ride-a-long person (Witness [REDACTED]) was standing next to Deputy Tanner's patrol vehicle, and she appeared to be confused. Deputy Granados told Witness [REDACTED] to get back in the patrol vehicle and lock the doors. Afterward, Deputy Granados drove to where the deputies detained Suspect Gonzalez. She noticed numerous patrol vehicles and personnel from the fire department were on scene. Deputy Granados did not stop and drove to where the stolen Toyota truck was for a debriefing. Deputy Granados did not witness any use of force.

Deputy Chantelle Telles

On October 19, 2018, IAB Sergeant Francois Chang interviewed Deputy Telles on the telephone.

On December 9, 2017, Deputy Telles was working as unit 111B. She heard radio traffic regarding a pre-stop coordination of a stolen vehicle. She responded to the terminus of the vehicle pursuit on 10th Street West.

Upon her arrival, Deputy Telles saw Deputy Perez point to a female (Witness [REDACTED]), who was sitting on the sidewalk. Deputy Perez asked Deputy Telles to detain Witness [REDACTED] before he ran out of her view. Deputy Telles asked Witness [REDACTED] to stand up and put her hands behind her back. Witness [REDACTED] complied. During the detention, Witness [REDACTED] admitted she was in possession of illegal drugs. Deputy Telles handcuffed and searched Witness [REDACTED] person without any problem. Deputy Telles found suspected methamphetamine and narcotic paraphernalia in Witness [REDACTED] possession. Deputy Telles arrested Witness [REDACTED] for the indicated charges [Exhibit C]. Deputy Telles escorted Witness [REDACTED] to her patrol car and transported her to the station for booking. Witness [REDACTED] did not physical resist Deputy Telles' efforts to control her at any

time. Deputy Telles did not use force on Witness [REDACTED] nor did she witness anyone use force during this incident.

Sergeant Layne Arnold

On August 23, 2018, Sergeant Arnold was interviewed by IAB Sergeant Francois Chang at Lancaster Sheriff's Station.

On December 9, 2017, Sergeant Arnold worked as unit 110S. While on patrol as a field sergeant, he responded to Deputy [REDACTED] pre-stop coordination, which turned into a brief vehicle pursuit of the stolen Toyota truck. When Deputy [REDACTED] terminated his vehicle pursuit, Sergeant Arnold drove to 10th Street West and West Newgrove Street, because the deputies were in a foot pursuit of Suspect Gonzalez. Shortly thereafter, he heard a second foot pursuit initiated by Deputies Tanner and Perez. Sergeant Arnold responded to the second location and arrived about 20 seconds later.

Upon his arrival, Sergeant Arnold saw three deputies at the scene and Suspect Gonzalez was already handcuffed and secured in the back seat of a patrol vehicle. Deputy Tanner reported his use of force to him. Deputy Tanner said he made "contact" with Suspect Gonzalez while they were running. Consequently, Suspect Gonzalez fell to the ground and complained of pain to his arm. Sergeant Arnold asked Suspect Gonzalez about his arm injury. Suspect Gonzalez said his injury came from "the fall." Since Suspect Gonzalez did not say whether he fell from a wall or a fence, Sergeant Arnold assumed the "fall" occurred at the terminus point of Deputy Tanner's foot pursuit.

There was no other use of force reported to Sergeant Arnold. During a debriefing of the incident, the involved deputies discussed radio communication or lack thereof. Deputy Tanner advised his radio was not functioning properly during the foot pursuit. Sergeant Arnold inspected Deputy Tanner's radio. It had a weak battery, causing it to only receive but not transmit radio communication.

Sergeant Arnold knew there was a civilian vehicle in the area of arrest that looked like an unmarked police vehicle. He said it belonged to a local resident, who would listen to a police scanner and follow the deputies to calls-for-service. Sergeant Arnold attempted to locate witnesses to the incident, but found none.

Witness [REDACTED]

On July 26, 2018, Witness [REDACTED] was telephonically interviewed by IAB Sergeant Francois Chang.

On December 9, 2017, Witness [REDACTED] participated in a ride-a-long program and rode with Deputy Tanner. Witness [REDACTED] heard the vehicle pursuit on the radio, as Deputy Tanner responded to the location to help looking for the

outstanding suspect(s). Shortly thereafter, Deputy Tanner drove toward Anvers Avenue. Deputy Tanner saw a suspect on the east side of the street when he said, "There he is." Witness [REDACTED] looked up and saw a male standing next to a wall. She thought the male was "trying to blend in...or go unnoticed." Once Deputy Tanner exited the car, he and the suspect went out of her view. Witness [REDACTED] remained inside Deputy Tanner's patrol car. She believed a female deputy arrived within a minute later, but Deputy Tanner and the suspect were already gone. Witness [REDACTED] did not see the suspect again that night. About five minutes later, Deputy Tanner returned to get his vehicle.

Witness [REDACTED]

On July 26, 2018, Witness [REDACTED] was telephonically interviewed by IAB Sergeant Francois Chang.

On December 9, 2017, Witness [REDACTED] was a [REDACTED] resident, who monitored the police scanner and owned the gray car that looked like an unmarked police vehicle. He heard the vehicle and foot pursuits on his scanner and drove to the location before it ended. He was present at the terminus point of Deputy Tanner's foot pursuit and witnessed the apprehension of Suspect Gonzalez.

While sitting in his car in the parking lot, he saw the suspect running toward his position from a distance of approximately 50 feet. The suspect appeared to be drunk or tired. When Witness [REDACTED] used the spotlight of his vehicle to illuminate the suspect, he saw Deputy Tanner running behind the suspect. Witness [REDACTED] placed his car in reverse in an attempt to get out of the way; however, the suspect ran around the back of his car. He noticed the suspect was tired. The suspect stumbled when Deputy Tanner reached out and "barely" touched his back. He saw the suspect run over a curb and fall on the ground. Afterward, another deputy arrived and helped Deputy Tanner take the suspect into custody. The suspect did not fight or resist the deputies' efforts to arrest him. Witness [REDACTED] was far enough not to hear what the deputies said to the suspect or each other; but, he was close enough to see the entire fifteen to twenty-second foot pursuit and arrest. When personnel from the fire department arrived at the parking lot, he drove off.

Witness [REDACTED]

On December 10, 2017, Witness [REDACTED] was interviewed by IAB Sergeants John Adams and Francois Chang at Lancaster Sheriff's Station.

On December 9, 2017, Witness [REDACTED] met with "Gizmo" (Suspect Gonzalez), between 10 A.M. and noon, at a café located near 10th Street and Avenue I. She asked him for a ride, and they used the Toyota truck to move her property. Later that day, they went to a café where they ate and played games. When they were ready to leave the café, they saw deputies in the area. She noticed Suspect

Gonzalez was "acting weird." He told her about his arrest warrants, and said he did not want to get back in the truck because he did not want to get pulled over.

Once they could no longer see any deputies in the immediate area, they drove off in the Toyota truck. A short time later, the patrol cars followed them on Avenue J at Division Street. Suspect Gonzalez became fidgety, so she repeatedly told him to drop her off. At this time, Suspect Gonzalez said the Toyota truck was a stolen vehicle. Witness [REDACTED] asked Suspect Gonzalez several times to let her out of the truck. He refused and said, "I'm not gonna stop. I hope you're ready to run." At this point, the deputies still had not turned on their overhead lights as they drove onto Avenue J-4. Witness [REDACTED] continued to plead with Suspect Gonzalez to let her out, but to no avail.

As soon as the deputies turned on their lights and siren on Hardwood Street and Avenue J, Suspect Gonzalez drove into oncoming traffic on Avenue J. He turned into the "Doublz" parking lot, went off-roading, crossed 10th Street West, and collided into a curb in front of a liquor store. Once the stolen Toyota truck stopped, Witness [REDACTED] got out and saw Suspect Gonzalez run away. She remembered the deputies chased after him from a distance of 10 or 15 feet.

Witness [REDACTED] remained at the scene and sat on a curb. When the deputies arrived, she stood up. The deputies told her to sit down. She complied and got on the ground with one knee. A female deputy grabbed her arms and handcuffed her. She was searched and placed in the back seat of a patrol car. Witness [REDACTED] did not resist arrest. She was uninjured and did not complain of any pain. Witness [REDACTED] believed Suspect Gonzalez' arm was not injured before this incident because he had helped her unloaded her property earlier in the day. She mentioned his fingers being deformed "...like he has broken his hands before." Witness [REDACTED] was unsure if Suspect Gonzalez' deformed fingers were on his right or left hand.

SUSPECT'S STATEMENT

Suspect Rodolfo Gonzalez

On December 9, 2017, at 2216 hours, Lancaster Sergeant Frank Arcidiacono # [REDACTED] interviewed Suspect Gonzalez at Antelope Valley Hospital. During this interview, Suspect Gonzalez denied kidnapping Witness [REDACTED]. He said Witness [REDACTED] encouraged him not to stop the truck when the deputies tried to pull them over. He finally stopped and ran from the truck because he had warrants for his arrest. He claimed he did not know if the deputies were chasing him. But, the deputies later "smashed" him on the ground. Suspect Gonzalez said his right arm was broken, and he complained of pain to his right knee. He said a deputy grabbed onto his sweater, causing him to fall on his face. As a result of this fall, Suspect Gonzalez felt numbness to his right arm.

On December 10, 2017, Suspect Gonzalez was interviewed by IAB Sergeants John Adams and Francois Chang at Lancaster Sheriff's Station. Suspect Gonzalez complained he was getting blamed for kidnapping Witness [REDACTED] when he did not kidnap her. When the deputies chased him, one of them held onto the back of his shirt as he tried to jump over a six-foot fence. As a result of being held by the back of his shirt, he fell "flat" on his face. Suspect Gonzalez said, "That's when I noticed that my fuckin' wrist is broken already. Because once I tried to fuckin' hop the fence and something it just went out and, and I know my strength, so I know it."

After falling to the ground, Suspect Gonzalez got up and kept on running. He knew his right wrist was broken, because he tried to jump another fence and his arm "kept giving out" on him. Suspect Gonzalez noticed his right arm did not have the strength he needed to climb over fences. Suspect Gonzalez felt pain to his right wrist as he could not even press against it. Suspect Gonzalez refused to continue with the interview because he was tired. He did not believe talking to IAB investigators was in his best interest. Suspect Gonzalez showed IAB investigators his injuries: minor cut and contusion to his right knee, abrasions to left shoulder and left elbow, contusion to the right side of his forehead. He claimed those injuries were caused by the deputies grabbing him and taking him to the ground.

Involved Employee - Deputy Aaron Tanner

On August 27, 2018, Deputy Tanner was interviewed by IAB Sergeants Francois Chang and Brian Godwin at the Internal Affairs Bureau. He was represented by Mr. Steven Welch from Rains, Lucia, Stern, St. Phalle & Silver law firm.

On December 9, 2017, Deputy Tanner worked as unit 113B, with a civilian ride-along – Witness [REDACTED]. Deputy Tanner responded to the area when he heard the pre-stop coordination of a stolen truck, the subsequent vehicle pursuit as well as its cancellation. Deputy Tanner also heard the stolen vehicle had crashed and the suspect(s) were running from the vehicle.

Deputy Tanner arrived in the area of 12th Street West and Norberry Street for a containment position. At this position, he looked east on Norberry Street and saw a person running south on Anvers Avenue, beneath a street light. He noticed this person matched the description of the male suspect. Deputy Tanner advised his observation on the radio and drove to Anvers Avenue to search for the male suspect. Deputy Tanner used his patrol car's spotlight to illuminate the area. He found Suspect Gonzalez on the north side of a house, standing next to an east/west cinderblock block wall, facing south. The property in question was on the east side of Anvers Avenue. He saw Suspect Gonzalez hold his right hand up around the neckline, but Deputy Tanner could not see Suspect Gonzalez' left hand.

Deputy Tanner quickly exited his car and ordered Suspect Gonzalez to show his hands. Deputy Tanner was approximately 35 feet away when he shouted the commands. Suspect Gonzalez ignored Deputy Tanner's orders and jumped over the cinder block wall into the backyard of the property. Deputy Tanner asked Witness [REDACTED] to stay in the patrol vehicle before he left her and walked along the sidewalk in front of the property. As he reached the south side of this property, Deputy Tanner saw Suspect Gonzalez jump over a second cinderblock wall and out of his view. Deputy Tanner ordered Suspect Gonzalez to stop, but Suspect Gonzalez did not comply.

Deputy Tanner walked toward the second cinder block wall and peered over it. He saw an alleyway on the other side of the wall, leading to 10th Street West. He noticed Suspect Gonzalez was not in the alleyway. Deputy Tanner climbed over the wall and ran 75 feet to 10th Street West. As he emerged from this alleyway, he saw Deputy Perez on the north side to his left. Deputy Perez yelled, "Hey, suspect just took off running south." Deputy Perez' movements and statement led Deputy Tanner to believe they were going to engage in a foot pursuit. Deputy Tanner turned right and saw Suspect Gonzalez run into a parking lot, just south of them.

Using his portable radio, Deputy Tanner advised they were in a foot pursuit. He ran to the parking lot and saw Suspect Gonzalez running west at a distance of 60 to 80 feet away. Believing Deputy Perez was right behind him, Deputy Tanner continued running after Suspect Gonzalez. At one point, he saw what appeared to be a gray unmarked police vehicle with flashing lights, and a marked SUV patrol unit in front of him.

Suspect Gonzalez ran toward the gray unmarked car as Deputy Tanner gave commands for him to stop. The gray unmarked car went in reverse, causing Suspect Gonzalez to slow down and run around the trunk of the car. It allowed Deputy Tanner to catch up with Suspect Gonzalez. When they ran past the unmarked vehicle and were approximately fifteen feet from its passenger side, Deputy Tanner reached out with his forearms and applied pressure to Suspect Gonzalez' shoulder. The momentum of his push on the shoulder caused Suspect Gonzalez to fall onto the ground and land on his right shoulder. Suspect Gonzalez rolled onto his stomach with his right arm under his body. Deputy Tanner went down and placed his forearm across Suspect Gonzalez' shoulders. Deputy Tanner applied enough pressure to prevent him from pushing up. Deputy Tanner knelt on Suspect Gonzalez' right side as he removed his forearm and placed his shin on Suspect Gonzalez' right shoulder. Deputy Tanner grabbed Suspect Gonzalez' right elbow to bring his right hand to the small of his back for handcuffing. Deputy Tanner recalled Deputy Perrigo, who was the driver of the marked SUV, assisted him with handcuffing Suspect Gonzalez. Suspect Gonzalez did not resist. He allowed himself to be handcuffed and lifted up onto his feet. Deputy Tanner neither saw Suspect Gonzalez hit his head or face on the ground nor did he see Suspect Gonzalez use his right hand to break the fall.

Deputy Tanner reported his use of force to Sergeant Arnold at the terminus point of the foot pursuit. Deputy Tanner then left to check on Witness [REDACTED]

During Deputy Tanner's foot pursuit, he believed there was at least one deputy in the marked SUV Explorer, since it was facing him with its headlights on. Deputy Tanner believed the unmarked vehicle was also occupied since it moved back to block Suspect Gonzalez' path.

Deputy Tanner did not believe he was in a foot pursuit of Suspect Gonzalez as he moved along the east sidewalk of Anvers Avenue to see where Suspect Gonzalez was going.

Deputy Tanner believed his foot pursuit began when he and Deputy Perez chased Suspect Gonzalez from an alleyway on 10th Street West. Deputy Tanner believed Deputy Perez was with him the whole time, since Deputy Perez often participated in the annual "Baker-2-Vegas" relay. During the debriefing, he discovered his portable radio was not transmitting due to its weak battery. Deputy Tanner inspected his radio, and it appeared to be working properly with a fully charged battery.